Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The city of McLaughlin, South Dakota, located in northeastern Corson County, along the Main Line of the Milwaukee Railroad, the Yellowstone Trail, and on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, was platted in 1909; and,

Whereas, McLaughlin was named for Colonel J.H. McLaughlin, once the superintendent of the Indian reservation and author of the book, "My Friend the Indian;" and,

Whereas, The first newspaper was the *Mirror*, which saw numerous name changes before settling on the *Corson/Sioux County News-Messenger*; and,

Whereas, McLaughlin residents can be proud of all their community has to offer from its modern school with gymnasium and swimming pool, remodeled theater, clinic, Heritage Center, and City Library to the efforts made to maintain modern homes, businesses, and easy access to public facilities; and,

Whereas, McLaughlin is a proud community of good people who always extend a warm welcome to friends and strangers alike, and who greatly add to the rich quality of life we enjoy in South Dakota; and,

Whereas, McLaughlin will celebrate its 100th Anniversary with a parade, entertainment, rodeo, German feed, catered meals for alumni and various events, concession stands, carnival, commemorations, and children's activities on June 18-21, 2009:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 19-21, 2009, as

McLAUGHLIN CENTENNIAL DAYS

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State